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SUBJ: KHMER REFUGEE UPDATE

1. SOME OF THE KHMER REPATRIATED TO CAMBODIA HAVE MANAGED TO SEND MESSAGES FROM THE BORDER AREA VIA THAI FARMERS. MESSAGES DELIVERED TO CHINESE IN AREA WHO HAVE GIVEN THEM TO US. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF ONE SUCH NOTE DATED JUNE 22 FROM A GROUP WHICH STAYED TOGETHER AFTER REPATRIATION. THE ORIGINAL SIZE OF THIS GROUP IS UNKNOWN, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BUT THE NOTE SAYS IT NOW NUMBERS ABOUT 1,000.

BEGIN TEXT.

TO ALL THE PEOPLE IN THE WORLD. PLEASE URGENT TO HELP US. WE ARE REFUGEES FROM CAMBODIA THAT USED TO STAY IN ARANYAPRATHET. NOW THE THAI GOVERNMENT HAS SENT US

TO PREAH VIHEAR FROM SISAKET PROVINCE. THIS PLACE IS VERY DANGEROUS, HARD TO WALK. OUR PEOPLE AND CHILDREN CANNOT WALK. THEY STAY WITHOUT FOOD, WATER AND MEDICINE. IT RAINS EVERY DAY, WE HAVE NO SHELTERS, THERE ARE PLENTY OF MINES. MANY OF US HAVE DIED. NOW ABOUT 1,000 LEFT, SOME SERIOUSLY SICK - NO FOOD, NO WATER. DURING DAY TIME WE CANNOT REST, DURING NIGHT TIME WE CANNOT SLEEP. RAINY SEASON IS VERY TOUGH. ALL NIGHT WE HAVE TO STAY WITHOUT SHELTER UNDER THE RAIN.

OUR CHILDREN CRY. WHEN WE HEAR THE SOUND OF THEIR CRYING IT IS LIKE HAVING A KNIFE IN OUR HEART.

WE CALL ON ALL THE PEOPLE IN THE WORLD TO PITY US, SEND FOOD AND MEDICINE.

WE NOW HAVE STAY 10 DAYS WITHOUT FOOD OR WATER. EVEN IF OUR BODIES WOULD BE BUILT WITH IRON, WE COULD NOT STAY.

THANKS TO ALL PEOPLE FOR THEIR HELP.

END TEXT.

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